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1. (Confidential - JMM) Colgate Prentice, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State (House) for Congressional Relations, returned my call to Mr. David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, regarding Abshire's draft letter to Chairman Fulbright commenting on S. Res. 230 (the Kennedy resolution regarding a test ban treaty and unilateral U.S. moratorium on underground testing). On the basis of previous conversations with Don Chamberlain and Ed Proctor, I told Prentice the Agency took no position on the policy issues involved, but we wanted to call attention to the fact that the Administration position on the matter had not yet been resolved, and would suggest that the Abshire draft be reconsidered accordingly, and possibly submitted to the LIG. Prentice appreciated my call and agreed that the draft should be reconsidered, but questioned whether the LIG was a proper forum. I said I would leave the mechanics of coordination up to them.

2. (Confidential - JMM) Called Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and, at his suggestion, Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, to alert them to the possibility of a weekend blow up in Cyprus. Nedzi appreciated the call and said he hoped we wouldn't be caught "blind." I said we were following the matter closely but it was unrealistic that we could predict accurately how the trouble might break out, since we had some five armed and highly volatile factions involved.

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3. (Unclassified - GLC) In response to her request, I left with Karen Howard, in the office of Senator Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), a copy of the new China Atlas.

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4. (Secret - GLC) Briefed Captain Ed Bauser and George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, on the latest information on Soviet construction of a new naval vessel.

In response to Murphy's question yesterday, I told him the Agency was completely out of the picture on the question which Senator Howard Baker (R., Tenn.) raised initially with the Director.

25X1 5. (Secret - GLC) Left with Ed Braswell and Jim Woolsey, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, copies of material on the Soviet navy prepared by [] in response to their request. Woolsey said this information in classified form would be very helpful to the Committee, but he also asked if we could provide him with some unclassified data on Soviet vessels both by category and age in somewhat the same manner as that published by the House Armed Services Committee two years ago. I provided [] with a copy of the data as published by the House Armed Services Committee and he said he would see what could be done.

25X1 6. (Secret - GLC) Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, said that 'Pete' Bonner, of the Committee staff, would be attending the Director's briefing session of the Defense Subcommittee on Tuesday and said I might want to check on his clearances. We are doing this.

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25X1 8. (Confidential - JMM) In the absence of Representative Louis Wyman, I talked to his Administrative Assistant Gerard Schiappa who said Wyman was in New Hampshire and planned to return on Wednesday, 16 February. I also talked to the office of Representative James Cleveland who also is expected back on the 16th. Mr. Schiappa has undertaken to try to set up a meeting for me to see Representatives Wyman and Cleveland jointly in Mr. Cleveland's office on the 17th regarding [REDACTED]

9. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Received a call from Mr. Robert Blum, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who told me that a Mr. DeCola had met with the Committee during the week and showed his film on Indochina. This film will be shown to the public on NBC on 14 February. [REDACTED]

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25X1 10. (Secret - JGO) Received a call from Mr. Douglas Sinclair, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of Defense, who told me that Messrs. Ralph Preston and John Garrity, House Appropriations Committee staff, would be visiting the Pentagon during the day for briefings on special activities. After checking with [REDACTED] OS, I verified Preston's and Garrity's clearances and gave Mr. Sinclair [REDACTED] name and phone extension should any further question arise concerning their clearances.

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25X1 11. (Secret - JGO) Messrs. Bruce Clarke, [REDACTED] OSR, and [REDACTED] met with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, concerning the Chairman's request for a background paper on Soviet military R&D and defense costs. Mr. Clarke's shop will do a draft for review with Mr. Slatinshek the first of the week.

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